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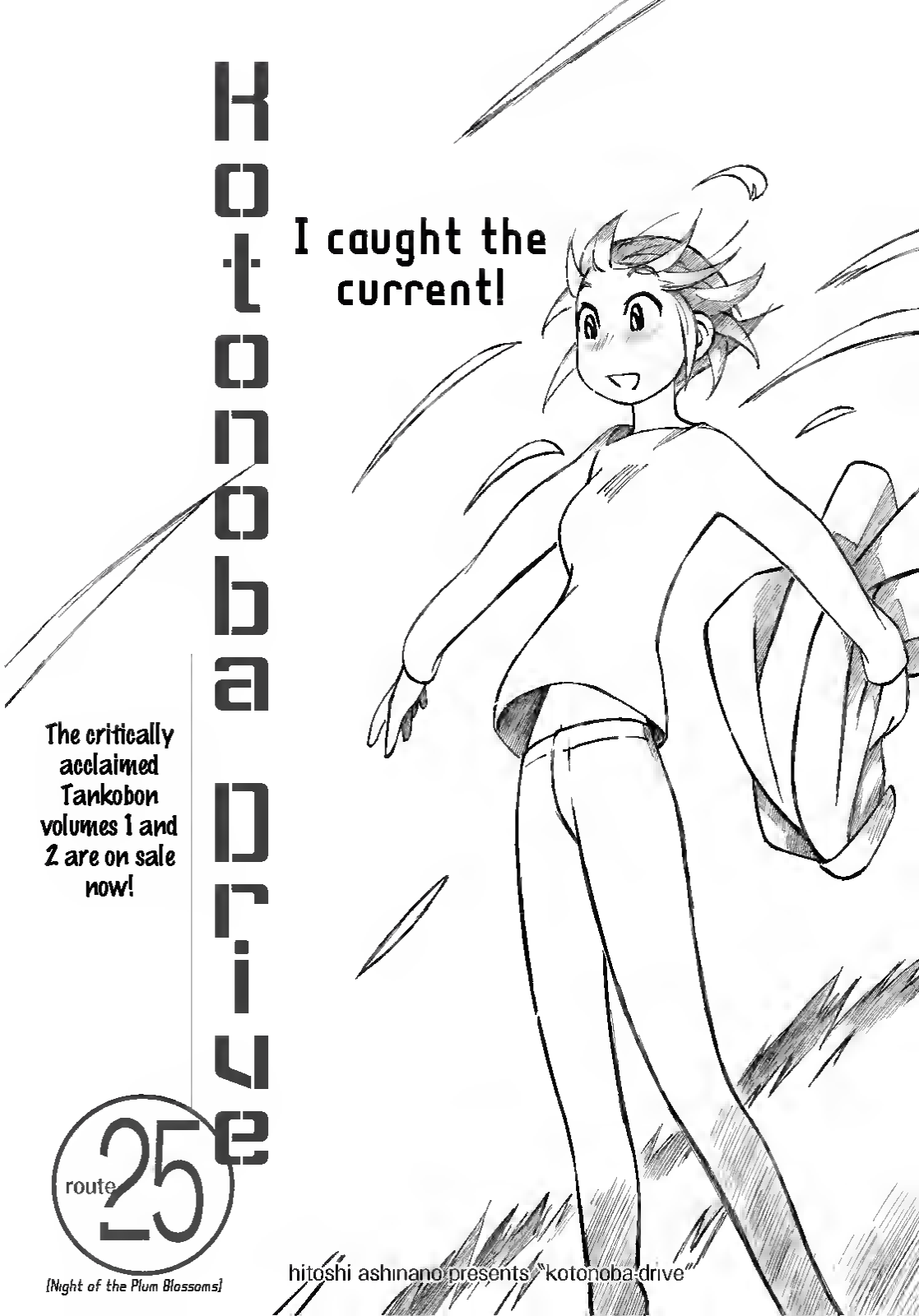

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[Night of the Plum Blossoms]

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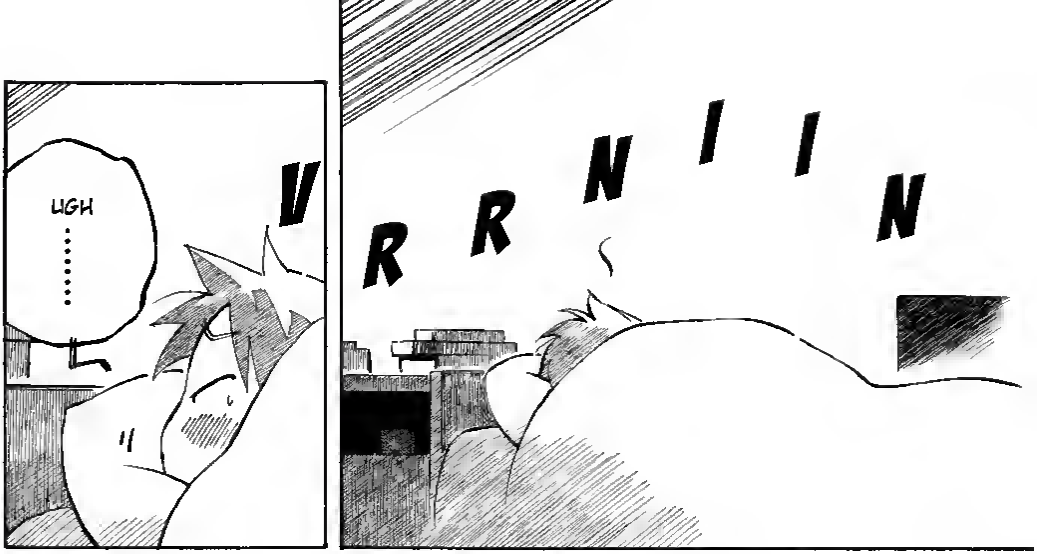

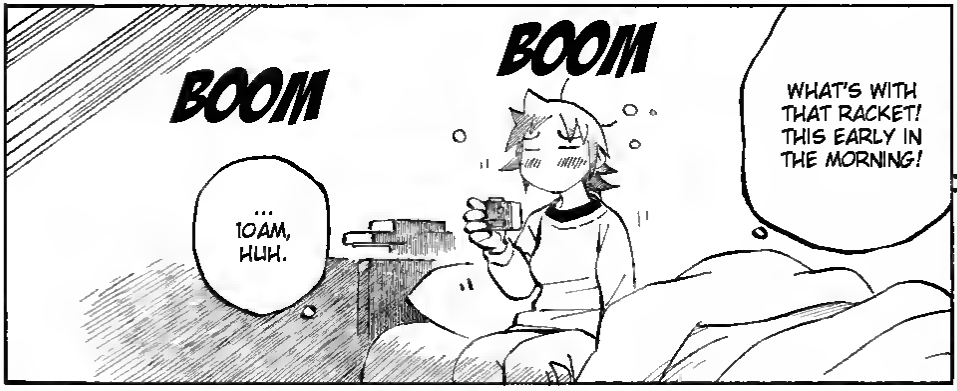

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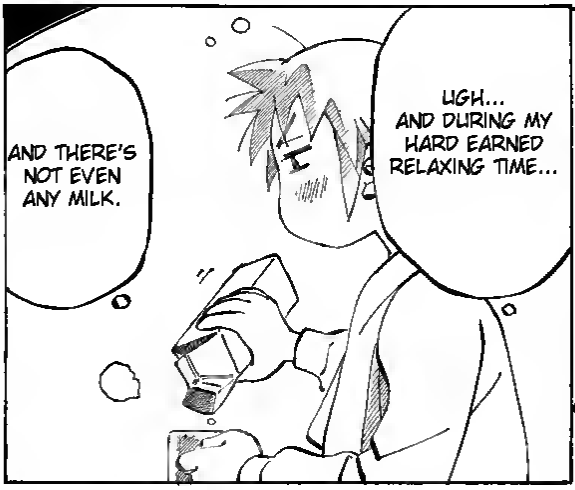
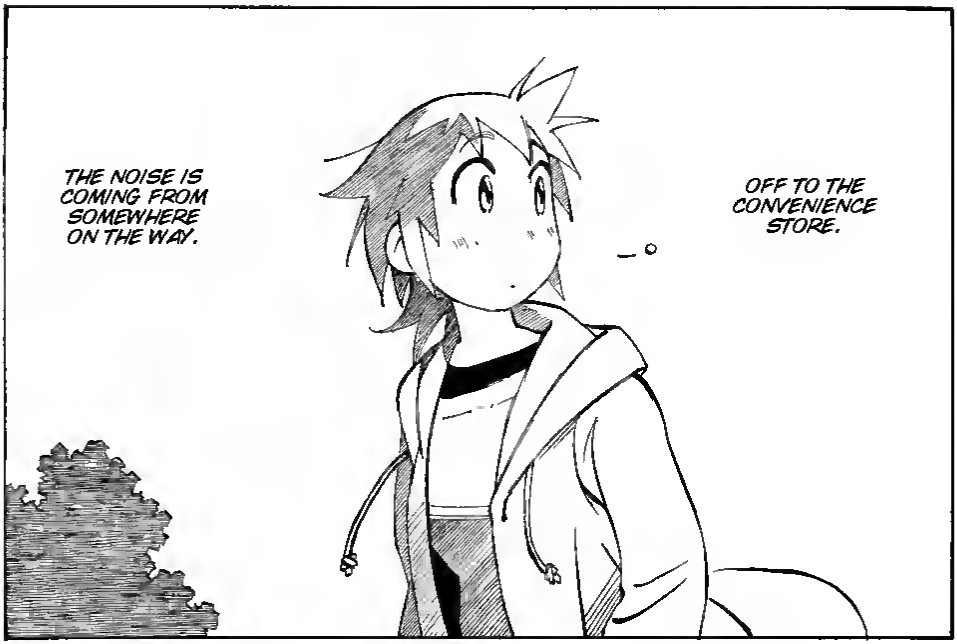


Suu-chan was ripped from her sleep by the dreadful roar... of something nearby!


THE NOISE IS COMING FROM SOMEWHERE ON THE WAY.
OFF TO THE CONVENIENCE STORE.

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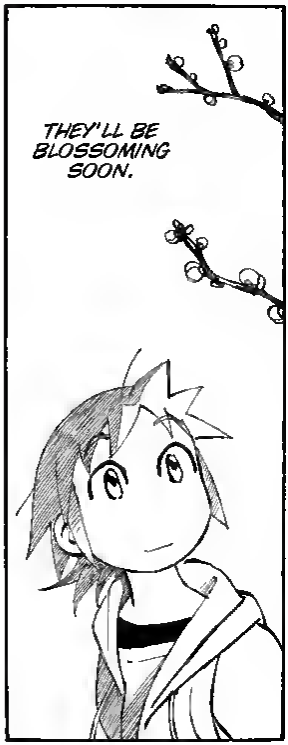
THEY'LL BE BLOSSOMING SOON.

AH, THEY'RE TRIMMING THE PLUM BLOSSOM TREE GROVE.
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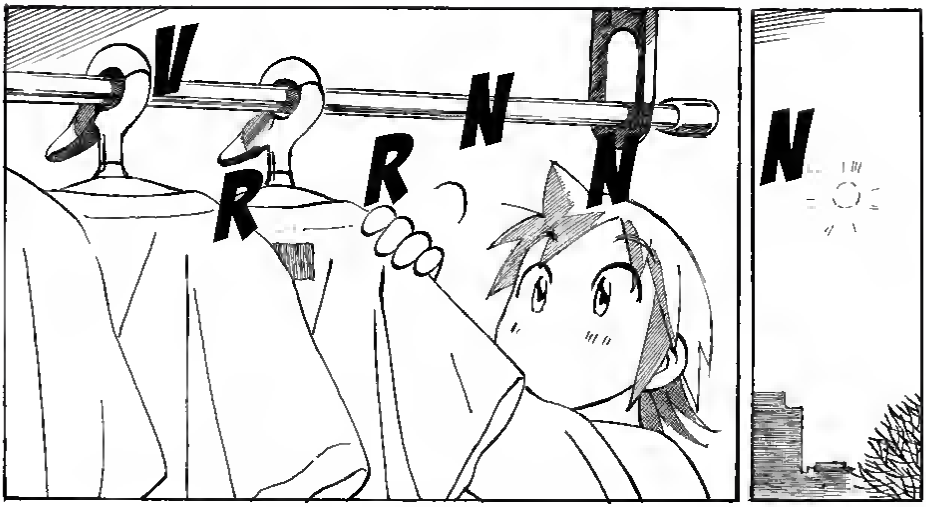

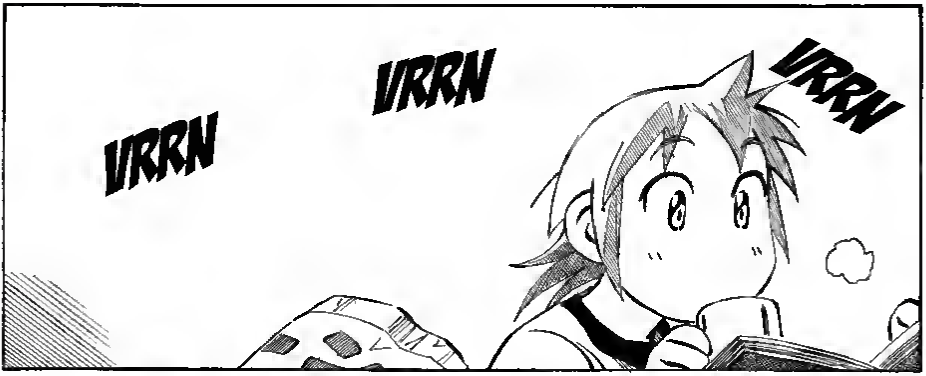

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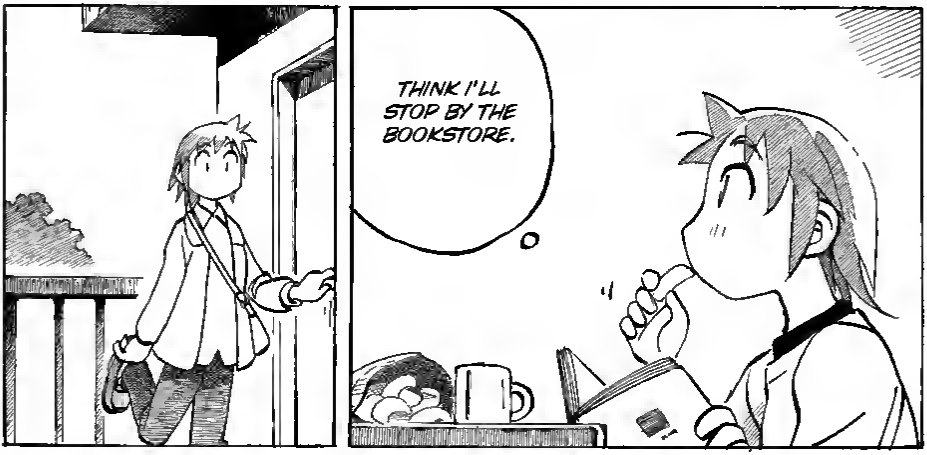

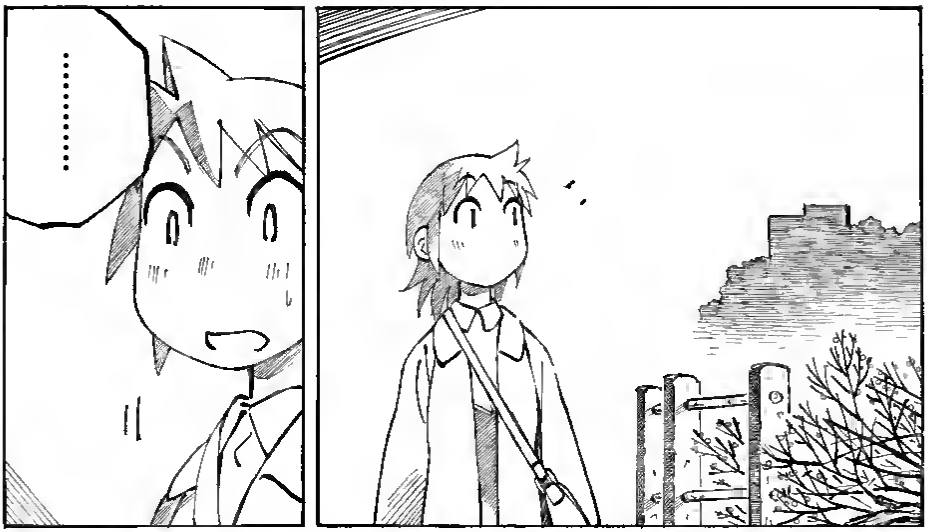

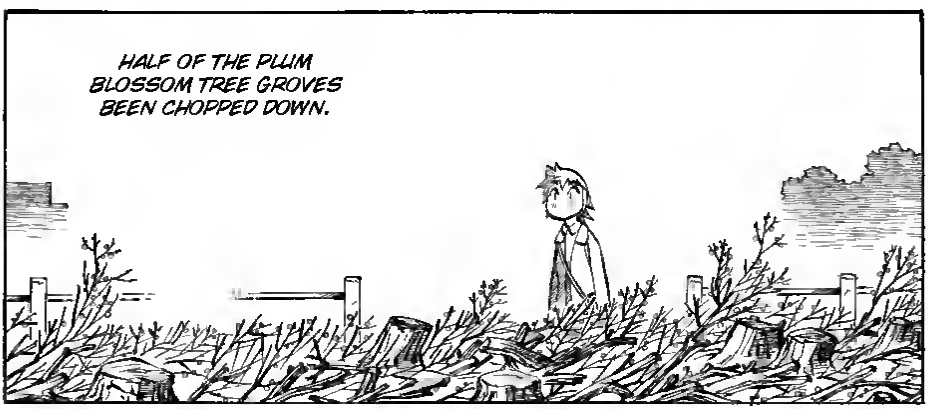
HALF OF THE PLUM
BLOSSOM TREE GROVES
BEEN CHOPPED DOWN.

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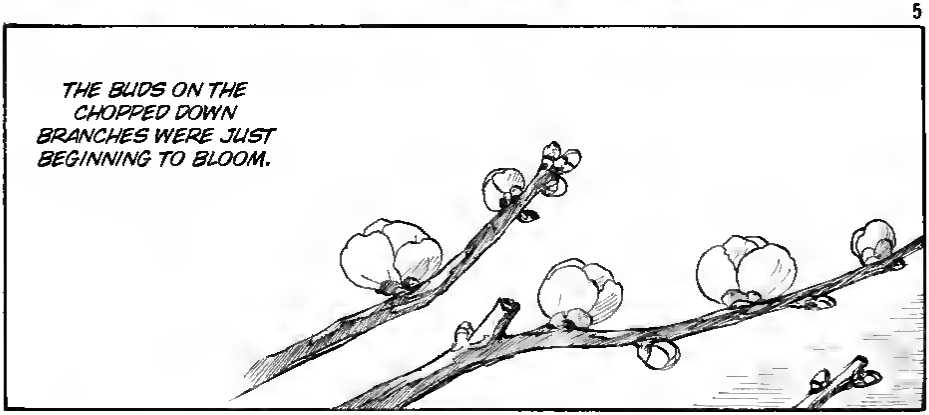
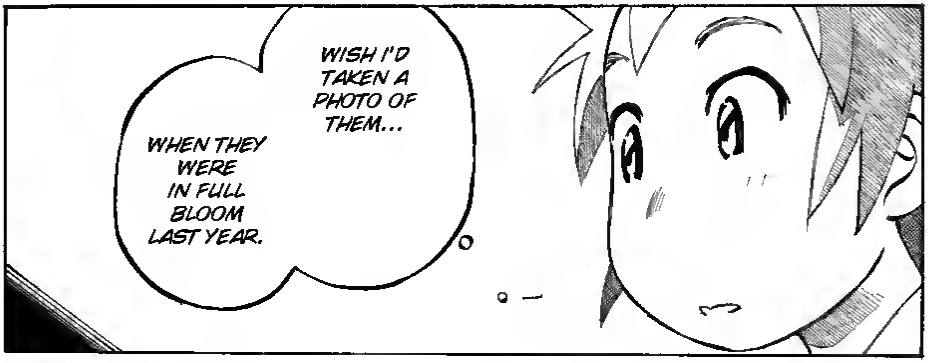
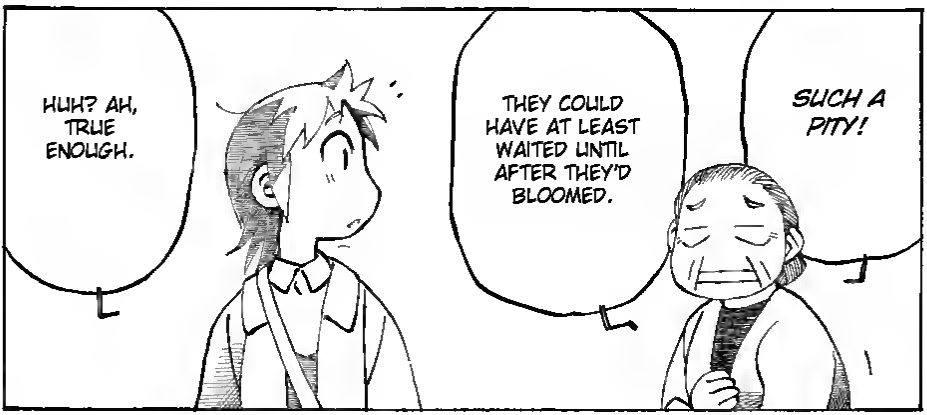

THE BUDS ON THE
CHOPPED DOWN
BRANCHES WERE JUST
BEGINNING TO BLOOM.


I WISH I'D TAKEN A PHOTO OF THEM...
WHEN THEY WERE IN FULL BLOOM LAST YEAR.


HUH? AH, TRUE ENOUGH.
THEY COULD HAVE AT LEAST WAITED UNTIL AFTER THEY'D BLOOMED.
SUCH A PITY!

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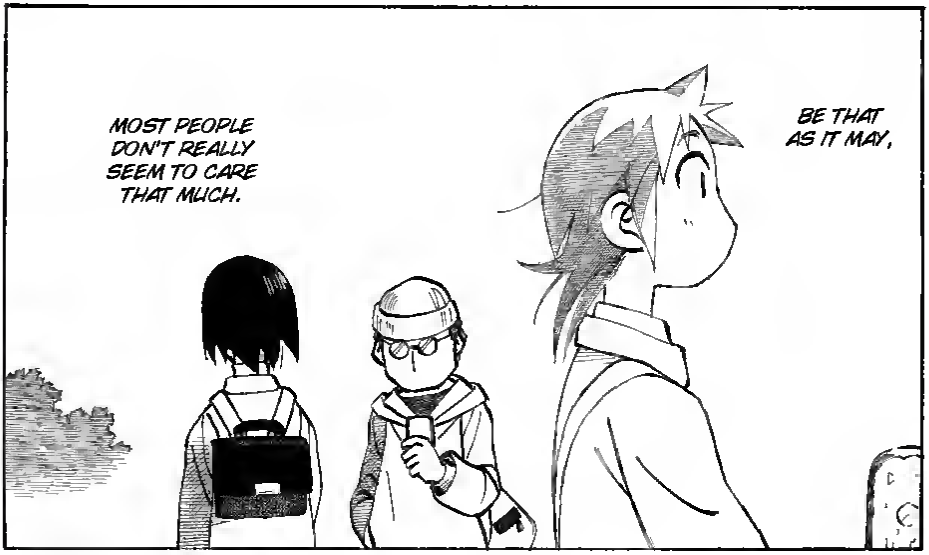
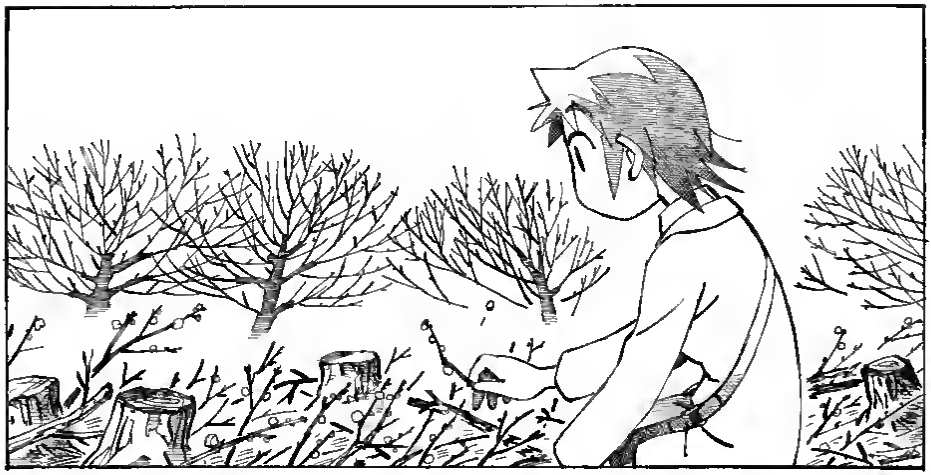
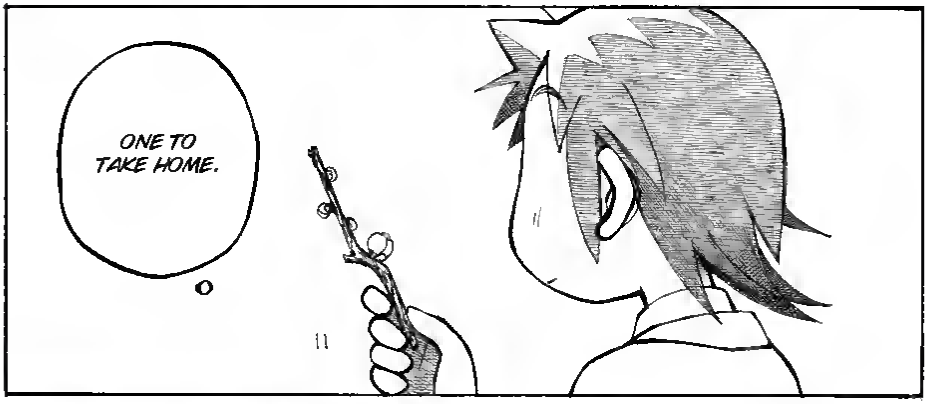

MOST PEOPLE DON'T REALLY SEEM TO CARE THAT MUCH.
BE THAT AS IT MAY,





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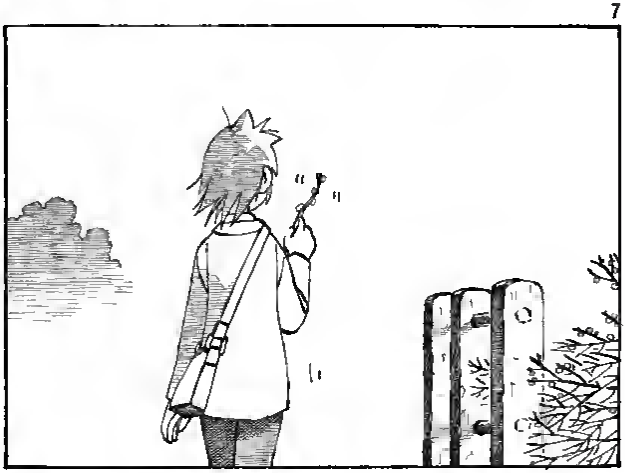

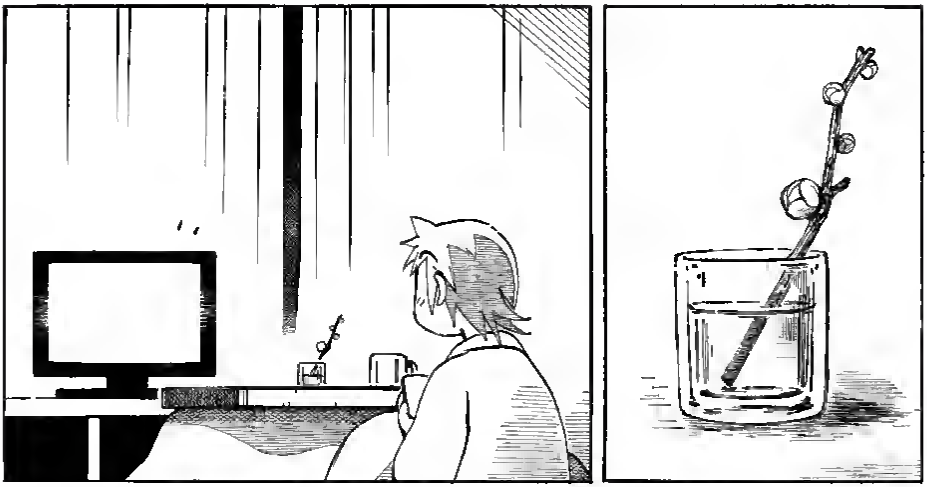

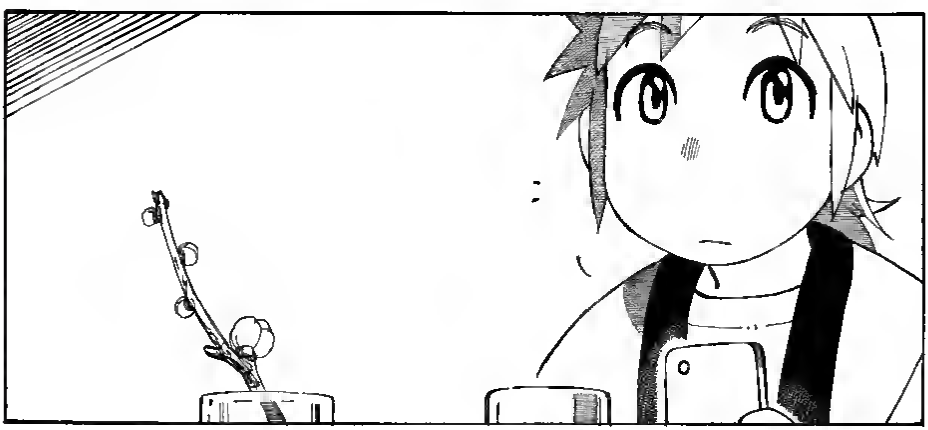

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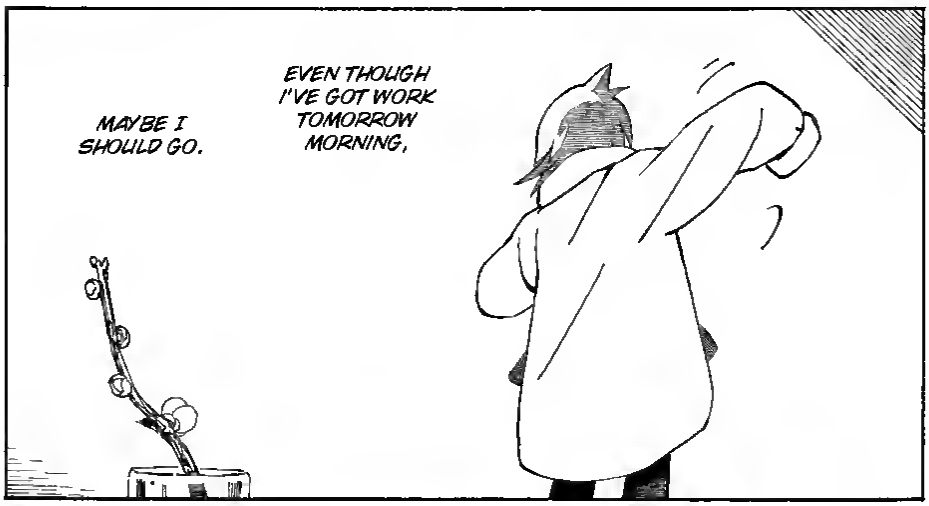
IT'S A FULL MOON.


MAYBE I SHOULD GO.
EVEN THOUGH I'VE GOT WORK TOMORROW MORNING,

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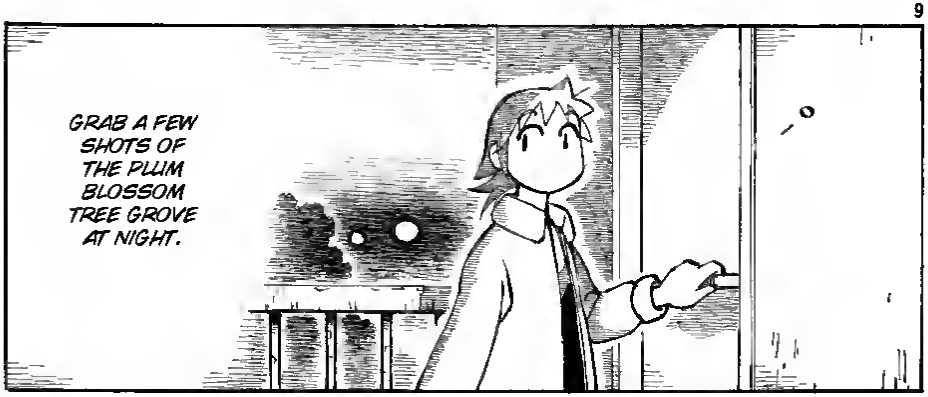
GRAB A FEW SHOTS OF THE PLUM BLOSSOM TREE GROVE AT NIGHT.

THE MOON SHINES SO BRIGHTLY I CAN CLEARLY SEE MY SHADOW.

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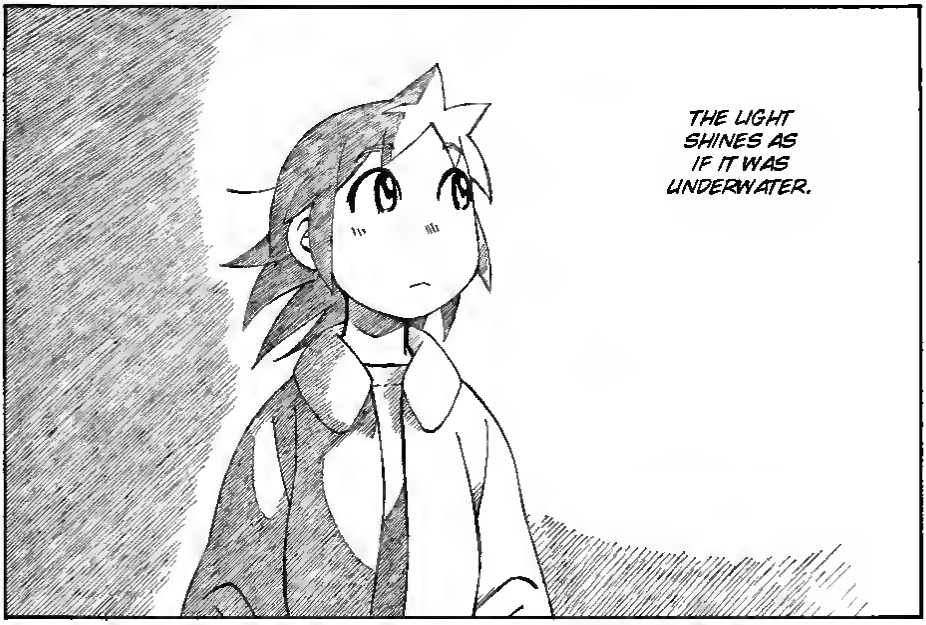
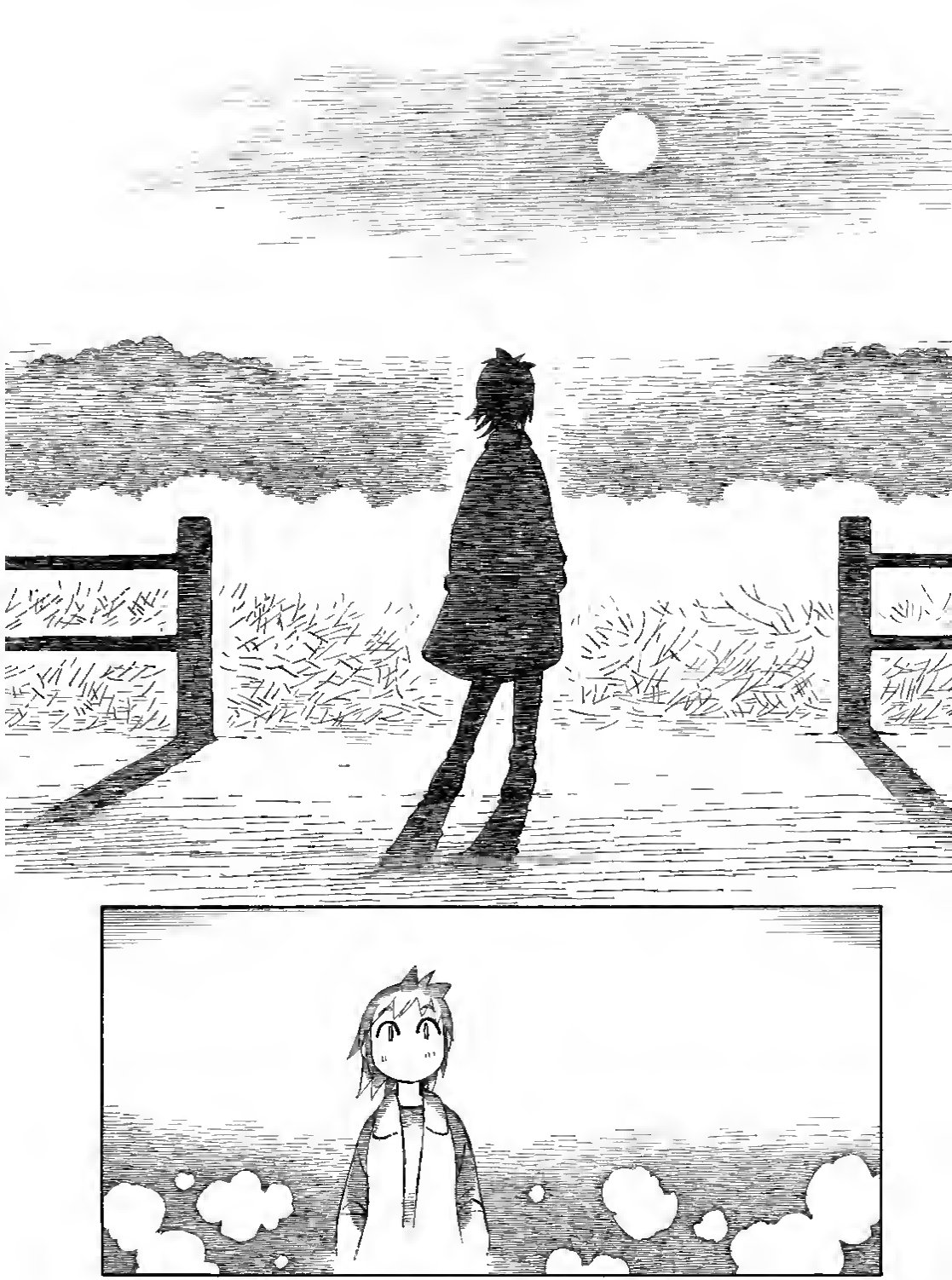
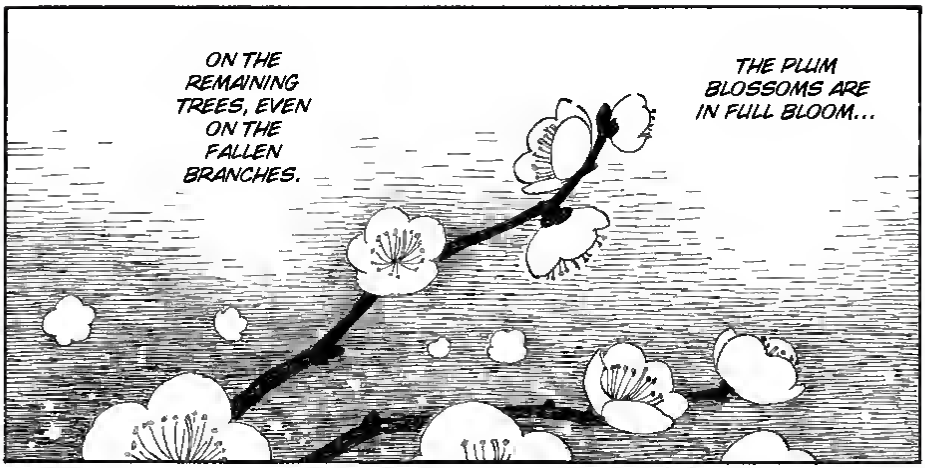

THE LIGHT SHINES AS IF IT WAS UNDERWATER.




ON THE REMAINING TREES, EVEN ON THE FALLEN BRANCHES.
THE PLUM BLOSSOMS ARE IN FULL BLOOM...

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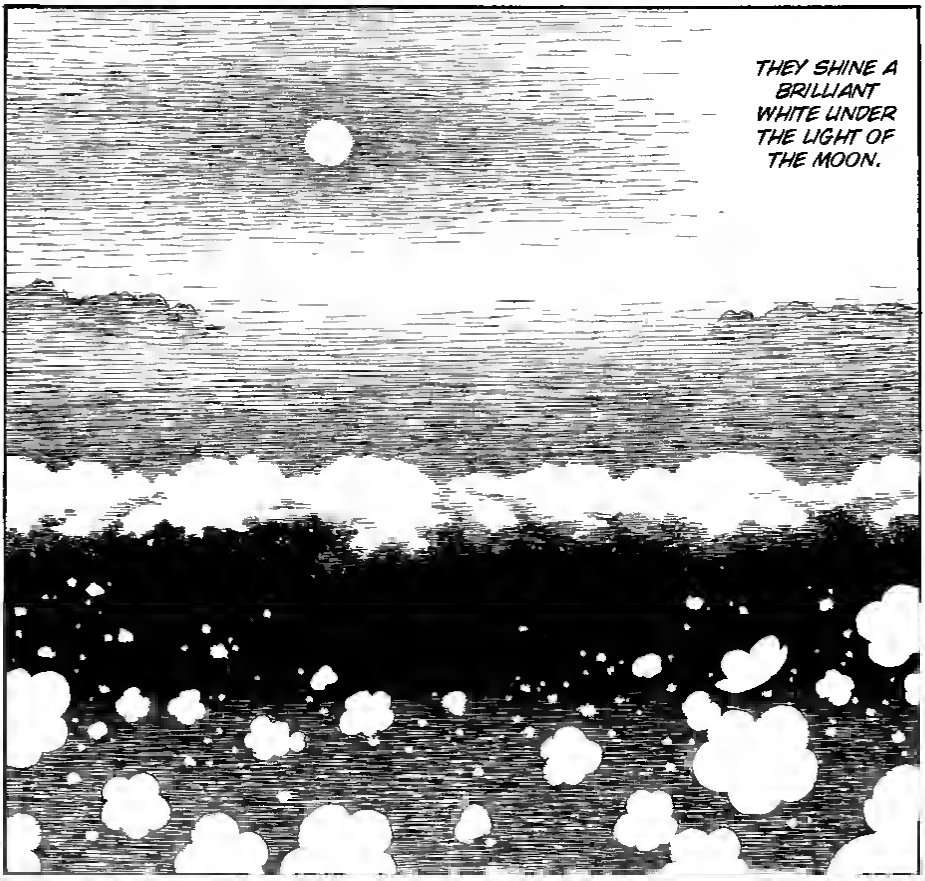
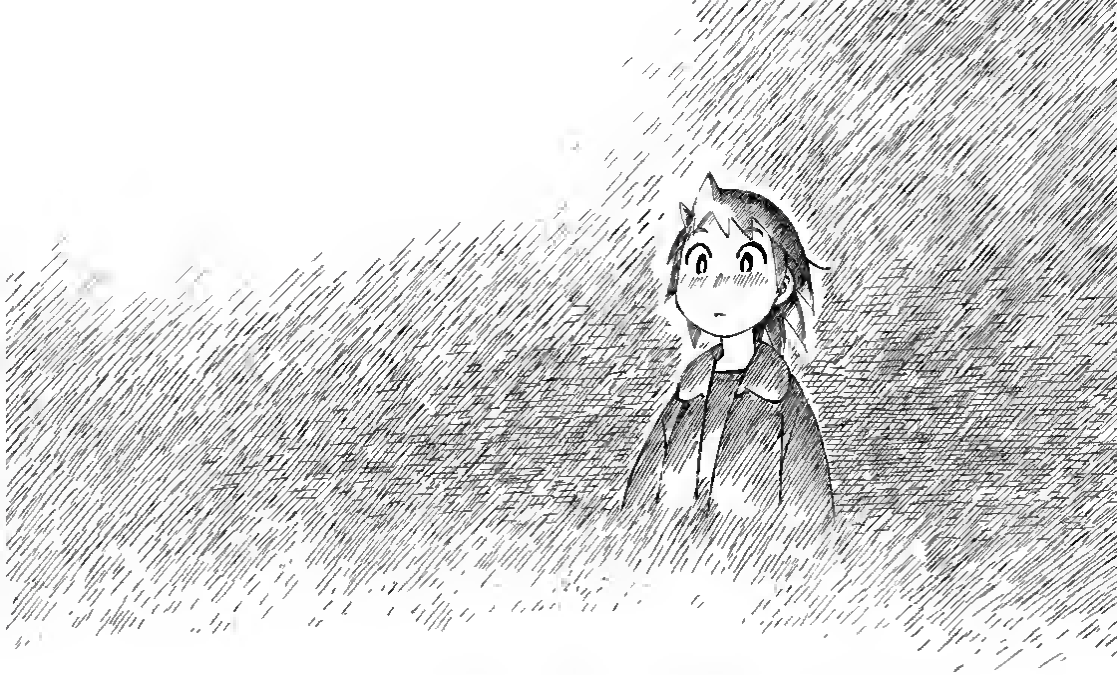
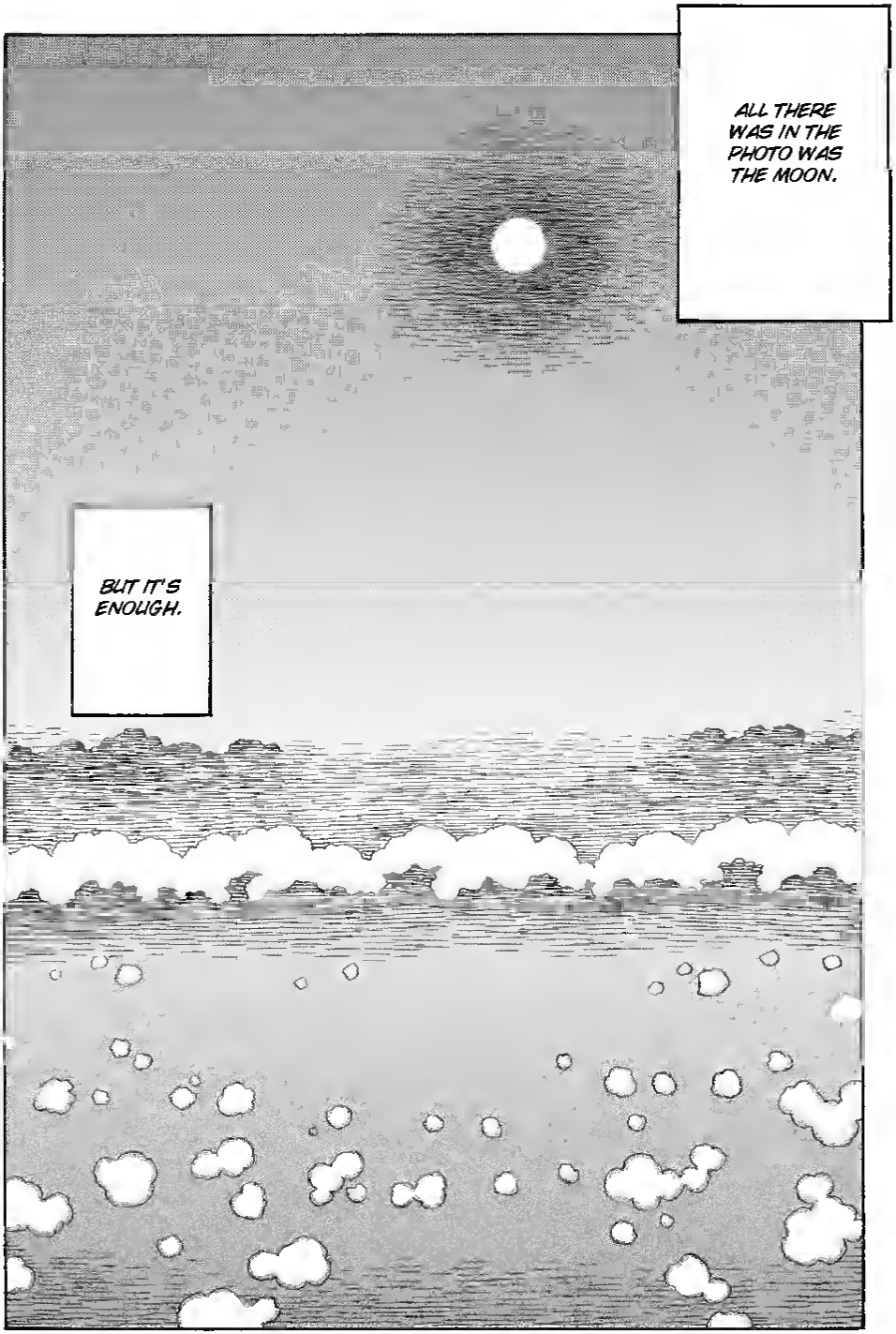
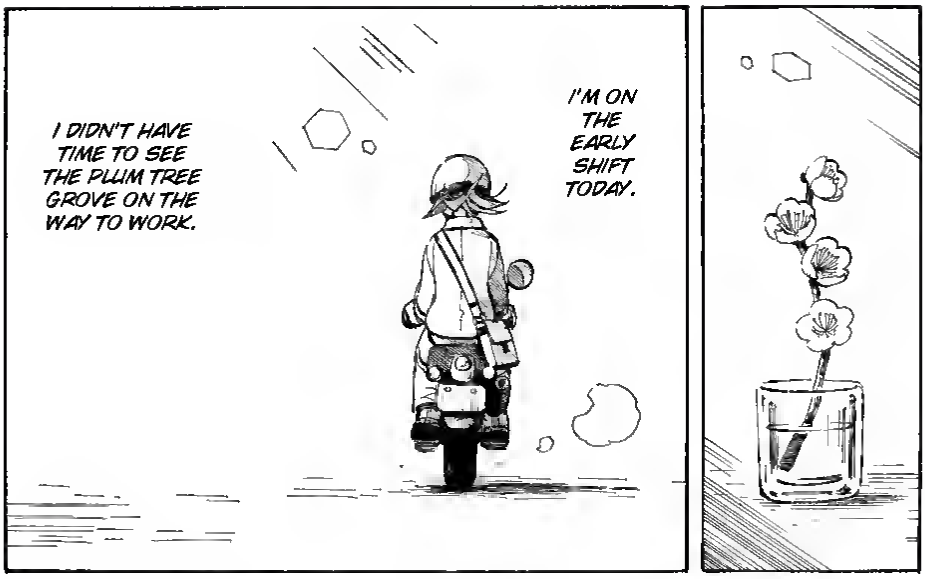

THEY SHINE A BRILLIANT WHITE UNDER THE LIGHT OF THE MOON.



I ONLY TOOK ONE PHOTO.


ALL THERE WAS IN THE PHOTO WAS THE MOON.
BUT IT'S ENOUGH.


I DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO SEE THE PLUM TREE GROVE ON THE WAY TO WORK.
I'M ON THE EARLY SHIFT TODAY.

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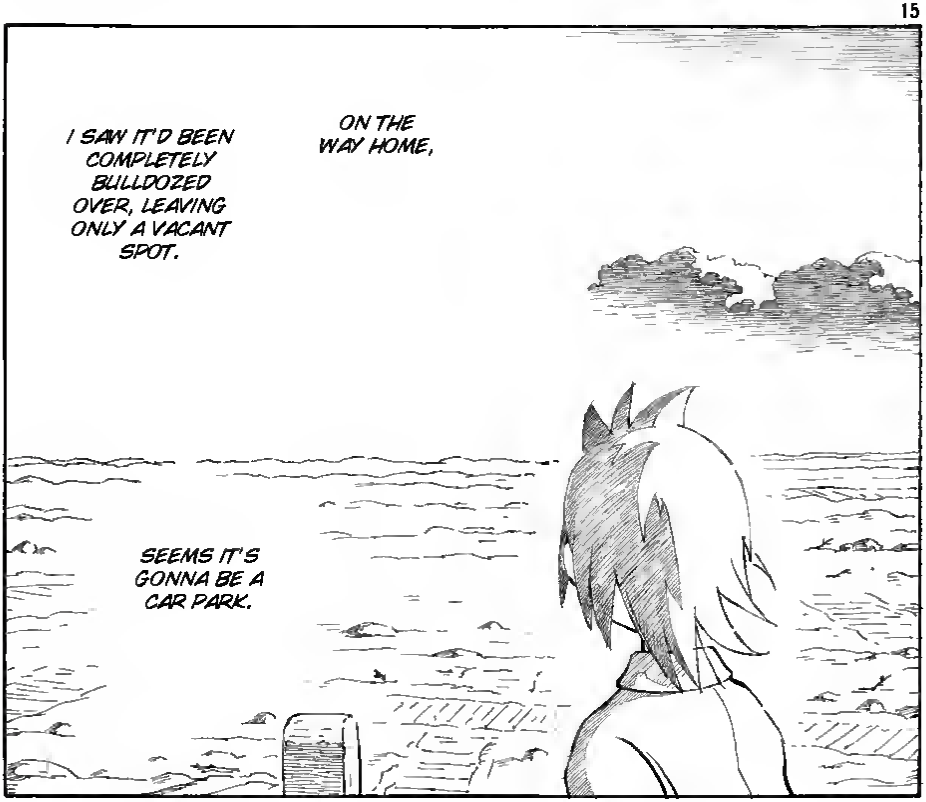
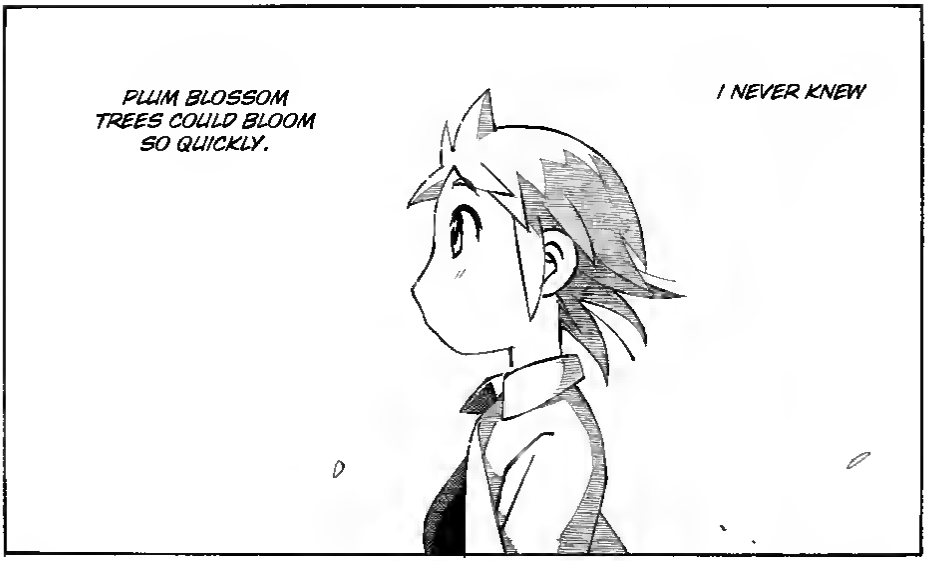

I SAW IT'D BEEN COMPLETELY BULLDOZED OVER, LEAVING ONLY A VACANT SPOT.
ON THE WAY HOME,
SEEMS IT'S GONNA BE A CAR PARK.



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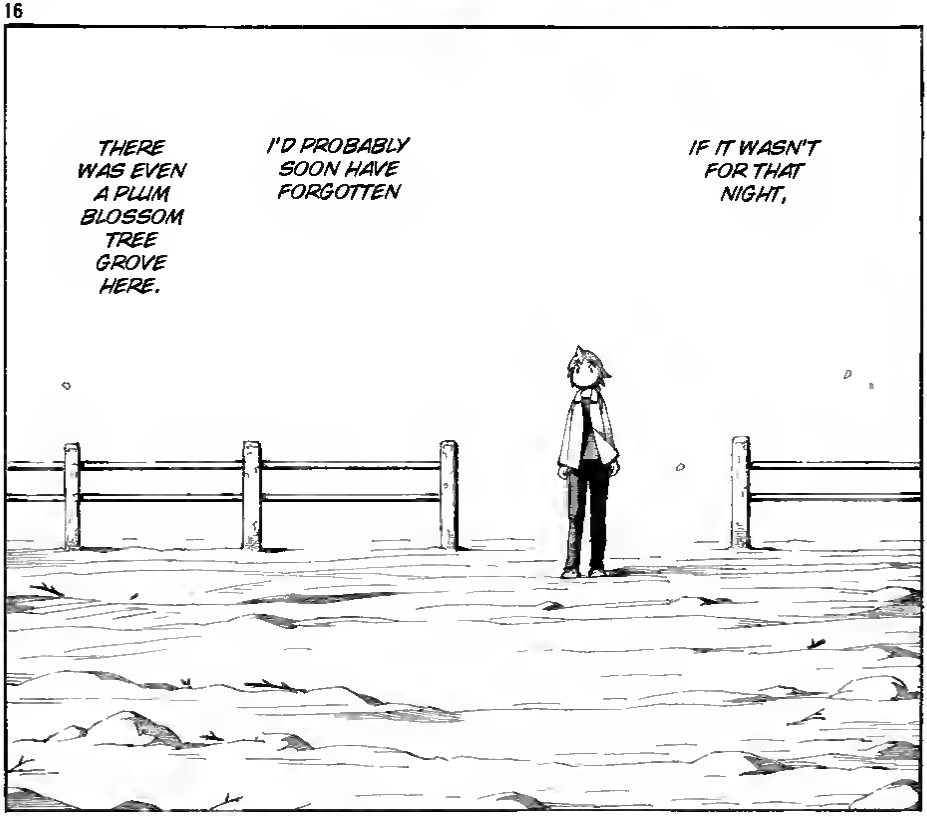

I'll always remember that slightly chilly night.

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